H.R. 4634, to extend the terrorism insurance program of the Department of the Treasury, amended (H. Rept. 108–780);

H. Res. 858, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1350, to reauthorize the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (H. Rept. 108–781);

H. Res. 859, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 108–782);

H. Res. 860, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 108–783);

H. Res. 861, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 108–784).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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**Public Debt Limit Increase:** The House passed S. 2986, to amend title 31 of the United States Code to increase the public debt limit, by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 204 noes, Roll No. 536.

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Rejected the Stenholm motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the bill back to the House forthwith with an amendment by a yea-and-nay vote of 194 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 535.

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H. Res. 856, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 205 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 534. Page H9974

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:15 a.m. and reconvened at 8:35 p.m. **Page H9974** 

Benjamin Franklin Commemorative Coin Act: Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make a technical correction in the engrossment of H.R. 3204, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the tercentenary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin.

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Congratulating the Boston Red Sox on winning the 2004 World Series: The House agreed to discharge the Committee on Government Reform from consideration of and pass H. Res. 854, congratulating the Boston Red Sox on winning the 2004 World Series.

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Agreed to the Ose amendment making a technical correction to the resolution. Page H9991

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H9974, H9986 and H9987. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

### FLU VACCINE SHORTAGE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a joint hearing entitled "Flu Vac-Protecting High-Risk Individuals Strengthening the Market." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Lester M. Crawford, D.V.M., Acting Commissioner, FDA; Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH; and Julie L. Gerberding, M.D., Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Janet Heinrich, Director, Healthcare/Public Health Issues, GAO; Janet Olszewski, Director, Department of Community Health, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE FIGHT AGAINST METHAMPHETAMINE

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing entitled "Law Enforcement and the Fight Against Methamphetamine." Testimony was heard from Scott Burns, Deputy Director, State and Local Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Domingo S. Herraiz, Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs; and Joseph Rannazzisi, Deputy Chief, Office of Enforcement, DEA; Lonnie Wright, Director, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, State of Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

#### COLOMBIA NARCO-TERRORISM

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing on Aid to Colombia—The European Role in the Fight Against Narco-terrorism. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Robert R. Charles, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement; and Adolfo A. Franco, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, AID; and public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT—USDA RACIAL DISCRIMINATION CASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held an oversight hearing entitled "Notice Provision in the *Pigford* v. *Glickman* Consent Decree." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## CONFERENCE REPORT—INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 1350, an Act to reauthorize the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and for other purposes, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard from Representatives Castle and George Miller of California.

### PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a rule providing that suspensions will be in order at any time on the legislative day of Friday, November 19, 2004. The rule provides that the Speaker or his designee will consult with the Minority Leader or her designee on any suspensions considered under the rule.

# SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any resolution reported on or before the legislative day of November 20, 2004, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (S. 2845) to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, and for other purposes.

## SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any resolution reported on or before the legislative day of November 20, 2004, providing for consideration or disposition of a conference report to accompany the bill (S. 4548) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2005 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

## BRIEFING—GLOBAL TERRORIST THREATS UPDATE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Global Terrorist Threats Update. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing regarding Improvised Explosive Devices, focusing on the Department of Defense's approach to addressing this threat, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

#### House

No committee meetings are scheduled.